

20 January 1970

Mr. Arthur B. Focke
General Counsel
Bureau of the Budget
Washington, D. C. 20503

Dear Mr. Focke:

Thank you for your letter of 7 January 1970 requesting our views with respect to the draft Executive order entitled "Assigning emergency preparedness functions to the United States Information Agency."

The Central Intelligence Agency has no objection to this proposed Executive order.

Sincerely,



John M. Maury
Legislative Counsel

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NOTE TO JMM:

1. The proposed Executive order is a statement of the functions of USIA in the event of a national emergency.
2. On 9 December 1969 the Director concurred in an identical draft Executive order.
3. The Emergency Planning Officer having responsibility for this matter [redacted] has reviewed and concurred as has John Warner for General Counsel.
4. USIA missed the boat in an omnibus Executive order issued 28 October 1969 which consolidated the emergency functions of various departments and agencies.
5. At my urgings our [redacted] negotiated the format of our reply with Elizabeth with the outcome that you should sign but show your final answer to the Director before it is sent.

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EXECUTIVE OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT
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January 7, 1970

Honorable Richard Helms
Director of the Central
Intelligence Agency
Washington, D.C. 20505

Attention: Mr. John Maury
Washington, D.C. 20505

Dear Mr. Helms:

In accordance with the provisions of Executive Order No. 11030, as amended, relating to proposed Executive orders and proclamations, the Director of the Bureau of the Budget has received the following papers (copies enclosed):

- (1) Draft Executive order entitled "Assigning emergency preparedness functions to the United States Information Agency."
- (2) Transmittal letter of the Director of the Office of Emergency Preparedness, dated December 24, 1969.

The Director of the Bureau of the Budget would appreciate receiving an expression of your views with respect to the proposed order.

Sincerely yours,

Arthur B. Focke

General Counsel

Enclosures

EXECUTIVE OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT
OFFICE OF EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20504

OFFICE OF THE DIRECTOR

DEC 24 1969

Honorable Robert P. Mayo
Director
Bureau of the Budget
Washington, D. C.

Dear Mr. Mayo:

The President issued Executive Order No. 11490, entitled "Assigning Emergency Preparedness Functions to Federal Departments and Agencies," on October 28, 1969. During the final stages of the processing of that order, the United States Information Agency presented an amendment assigning certain emergency preparedness planning functions to that Agency. In order to avoid delaying the issuance of the order, final processing of the U.S.I.A. amendment was held in abeyance.

The U.S.I.A. amendment was revised in this Agency to bring it into closer conformity with the provisions of Executive Order No. 11490, without change in its basic purpose or effect. The revised amendment was submitted for the consideration of the Department of State, the Department of Defense, the Central Intelligence Agency, and the United States Information Agency, and each of them has expressed concurrence.

The enclosed draft Executive Order is identical with that approved by those Departments and Agencies.

I recommend its prompt submission for the consideration of the President.

Sincerely,

G. A. Lincoln
G. A. Lincoln *AFR*
Director

Enclosure

EXECUTIVE ORDER*

Assigning Emergency Preparedness Functions to the
United States Information Agency

By virtue of the authority vested in me as President
of the United States, and pursuant to Reorganization Plan
No. 1 of 1958 (72 Stat. 1799), the National Security Act
of 1947, as amended, the Defense Production Act of 1950,
as amended, and the Federal Civil Defense Act, as amended,
Executive Order No. 11490 of October 28, 1969, is amended
by inserting immediately after Part 28 a new Part 28A,
as follows:

"Part 28A. United States Information Agency
"Section 2850. Functions. (a) The Director of
the United States Information Agency shall prepare national
emergency plans and develop preparedness programs for the
continuation of essential emergency foreign information
activities. These plans and programs shall be designed to
develop a state of readiness which will permit continuing
necessary activities under all conditions of national
emergency including attack upon the United States.

* Text of this draft is as transmitted to the Director
of the Bureau of the Budget by the Director of the
Office of Emergency Preparedness December 24, 1969.

"(b) The Director shall (1) develop plans for the formulation and execution of foreign information programs utilizing the Agency's overseas posts and all media designed to promote an intelligent understanding abroad of the status of the emergency within the United States and the efforts, policies, activities, needs, and aims of the United States in dealing with the international situation then existing; (2) develop emergency plans and programs, and emergency organizational structures required thereby, as an integral part of the continuing activities of the U.S.I.A. on the basis that it will have the responsibility for carrying on such programs during an emergency; (3) provide and maintain the capability necessary for simultaneous direct radio broadcasting in major world languages to all areas of the world and wireless teletype to all United States Embassies; (4) provide advice to the Executive Branch on foreign opinion, and its implications for United States policies, programs, and official statements; (5) maintain liaison with the information agencies of friendly nations for the purpose of relating the United States Government information programs and facilities to those of such nations; (6) participate in the development of policy with regard to the psychological aspects of defense and develop plans for assisting the appropriate agencies in the execution of psychological operations with special attention to overseas crises short of war; (7) maintain United States Information Service staffs

abroad for the conduct of public information for all agencies of the Government, recognizing that in a theater of operations the U.S.I.A. would make available to the appropriate Commander all United States citizen personnel on U.S.I.A. staff, who agree to remain, to serve in support of psychological operations; and (8) lend appropriate support in psychological warfare to the military command in the theater or theaters of active military operations, and provide daily guidance and basic informational materials.

"(c) The Director shall insure development of appropriate plans necessary under this Part and issue emergency instructions required to implement all appropriate plans developed under this Part."

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Remarks:

Would you please advise as to Agency views with respect to the attached draft amendment to EO 11490 so that an appropriate reply can be prepared. It would also be helpful if you could forward copies of earlier action taken by the Agency with respect to this proposed amendment as mentioned in paragraph 2 of OEP's letter to BOB.

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General George A. Lincoln, Director
Office of Emergency Preparedness
Washington, D. C. 20504

Dear Abel:

Thank you for your letter of 24 November requesting my comments or recommendations concerning the United States Information Agency's proposed amendment to Executive Order No. 11490.

I have reviewed the proposal carefully and find the amendment, from this Agency's point of view, in good order. I have no substantive comment or recommendations to offer.

Sincerely,

vs/ Richard Helms

Richard Helms
Director

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Rewritten: O/ExDir/SFC (8 Dec 69)

Retyped: O/DCI [redacted] bby 8 December 1969

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Assistant Legislative Counsel

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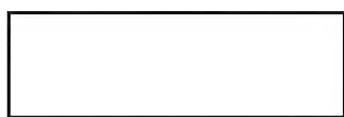
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Remarks:

As evidenced by the 9 December 1969 memorandum, the DCI has previously concurred in the USIA amendment. I recommend that your response to the BOB be somewhat along the lines of the thoughts contained in paragraph 2 of the 9 December memorandum.

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